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Oyen Pioneer Passes at Detroit

William A. Johnson, nearly ninety years old, dies at the home of his daughter in eastern city.

Word was recently received in Oyen of the passing on January 15, 1935, of one of the early settlers of this district, William A. Johnson, who after a brief illness, passed peacefully away at the home of his daughter, in Detroit, Mich., at the age of 89 years and 7 months.

William A. Johnson was born June 23, 1845, near Lockport, New York, where his boyhood was spent. As a young man he participated in the first oil strike on the north American continent at Titusville, Pa., later going to Bothwell, Ontario, where the first Canadian oil was discovered. Returning to the United States he went to Chicago where for a number of years he was employed by the street railway (horse drawn cars) and afterwards the fire department. In 1879 he married Christina Peterson. Ill health compelled a change of occupation, and in

CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3

OYEN UNITED CHURCH

OYEN 7.30 p.m.
Sunday School.... 2.00 p.m.
Rev. E. F. KEMP

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Corporate Communion for
W.A. at 11.00 a.m.,
Evensong (Oyen Athletic
Club in attendance) 7.30 p.m.
Rev. C. M. K. PARSONS

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Mass 11.00 a.m.
Rev. Fr. J. C. LYNETT

Nomination Day Monday, February 4

Nominations for the office of village councillor will be received at the council chamber, Oyen, on Monday, February 4, from 11 a.m. till 12 noon. Mr. Donald McKay is the retiring councillor.

Annual Meeting Oyen School Dist.

The annual meeting of the ratepayers of Oyen School District No. 3058, will be held at the school on Tuesday, February 5, at two o'clock in the afternoon. Nominations for the office of trustee will be called for at 3 p.m.

District Enjoying Mild Weather

Welcome relief from the long intense cold spell came the latter part of last week when above zero temperatures were reached. The real change came Sunday when 38 above was recorded, and the day was bright and sunny. Each day since temperatures have been recorded above freezing point.

1882 he moved with his wife and young son to near St. Louis, Gratiot Co., Mich., where the country was new, and together, they carved their home out of the heavy forest. Here two more children were born and the family continued to farm in this district, until death removed Mrs. Johnson. In the spring of 1912, Mr. Johnson went "pioneering" again. Coming to Canada he took up land three miles east of Oyen, where he entered into the building up of the district and community life with the zest of a young man. He was the sixty-seven. He spent most of his winters in

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the United States, but when spring came, he would return to his Canadian home which he loved.

He leaves to mourn his passing two sons, William O. of Ambey, Minn., and Harvey C. of Oyen, one daughter Mrs. Carl P. Charles, of Detroit, Mich., six grand children and five great grand children, besides a host of relatives and friends, among whom there are many young people who found him a pal with a youthful spirit ever ready to play a game or go to a wiener roast. It took "Gramp" as he was affectionately called, to complete the party. Many a youthful heart was gladdened during the past Christmas season by some cheery message from him—and how he enjoyed the messages received. His active and Christian life was an inspiration to all.

At the age of twenty-one he joined the Masonic order. He was a member of the First Baptist church in St. Louis, Mich., where the last rites and service were held on January 18. Interment was made in Oak Grove.

THE MARKET

Wheat, No. 1	50
Wheat, No. 2	55
Wheat, No. 3	51
Wheat, No. 4	47½
Wheat, No. 5	41½
Wheat, No. 6	41½
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Oats	32½
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About Town and Country

Miss Louise Wilson who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Waller, left this morning to return to her home in Rosebud.

Mr. William M. Denton returned home last Sunday from Calgary after spending several weeks in the city.

Constable Murphy returned home this morning.

Dr. W. D. McPhail of Kin darsley was an Oyen visitor last Friday. He made the trip here by aeroplane.

Editors of Weeklies from all over the province met in Calgary last Friday and Saturday at their annual convention, which was held in the Palliser hotel. It was considered one of the best held in recent years.

Two services will be held at All Saints church next Sunday. At 11 a.m. Corporate Communion for W.A. will be held. At 7.30 Evensong Oyen athletic club will be in attendance.

Mr. Henry R. Clark, C.A., of Saskatoon, is making the annual audit of the books of the Municipal District of Cereal this week. He arrived in Oyen Tuesday.

Mr. James Lees who spent the week end in Calgary, returned home yesterday.

Mr. R. E. Gillespie who left last week to visit in Stettler, is expected home Friday.

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IN MEMORIAM

IN LOVING MEMORY

—of—

ARTHUR ELMER JOHNSON
who died January 31, 1933.

Two years have gone, our hearts
[still sore,

As time goes on, we miss him
[more.

He worked so hard for us he loved,
And left us for his Home above.

Always remembered by his loving
wife and family.

Whether or not the poultry industry of Alberta will come within the provisions of the Natural Products Marketing Act is to be determined by a vote of poultry producers.

Balloting on the proposed Alberta Poultry Marketing Plan will be held during the week of February 17. All producers having flocks of 25 birds or more, including hens, turkeys, ducks and geese, are urged by the Alberta Poultry Marketing Board to register their opinions regarding this plan by applying at their nearest post office for the necessary forms. The ballots must be mailed by producers not later than February 23 in order to be considered.

For further information apply at the office of your postmaster.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Scott of Sibbald, who were Calgary visitors last week, returned home Sunday morning.

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